

May2012

2012 Schedule of Meetings:

2012: Mar. 7th, Apr. 4th, May 9TH, June 6th, July 4th, Aug. 1st, Sept. 5th, Oct. 3rd, Nov. 7th, and Dec. 5th. No meetings Jan.-Feb.

Doors open at 7:30 p.m., meeting starts 8 p.m., at the Rockwood Public Library (inside Eramosa Community Centre) at 85 Christie Street (near corner Christie Street and Main Street North Wellington Road 27, Rockwood, On. NoB 2K0.

Annual Membership Dues:

Regular \$10
Couple \$12
Junior (14 to age 18) \$5
Under 14 Free

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**NEXT MEETING DATE:
WEDNESDAY, MAY 9TH, 2012**



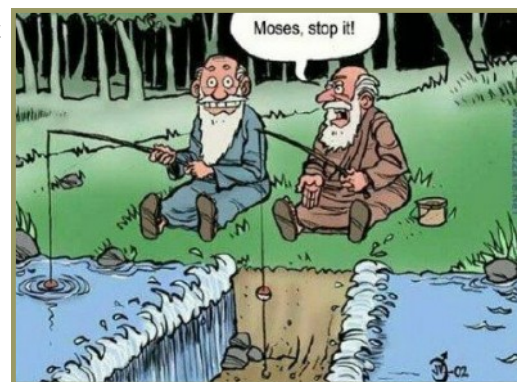
President's Message

NEXT MEETING IS MAY 9TH (NOT MAY 2ND) WITH RETURN OF LEN, DUE TO BOOK SALE EVENT AT THE ROCKWOOD LIBRARY!

If you get a chance to travel West in early July, you could reach Calgary for 10 fun action filled days to celebrate the **Calgary Stampede's 100th Anniversary**, **Calgary Numismatic Society Annual Coin Show**, and the **RCNA Annual Convention** — 3 events rolled into one park in Calgary!! Maybe some of our Western friends will vacation in Ontario this summer and visit us as we are one of the few clubs that meet during the summer months. Learn more about our last meeting and our upcoming meeting on page 2 of this newsletter.

If you would like to do an education presentation at one of our upcoming meetings please see **John Semedo** or me to arrange. We also welcome displays at our meetings. **Lowell** welcomes consignments for our monthly auctions too! We have a packed auction for April and May, especially lots of foreign coins! Baseball, golf and fishing has arrived. Hopefully members will still find time to come out to our meetings!

Cheers! Mike



A Class Act! message from Mike Hollingshead

Dave P. Marcella sent \$40 (from Northern Ontario) for his 2012 SWCS membership renewal, and along with it, he sent \$20 for 10 meetings' worth of Door Prize tickets and 10 meetings worth of King Arthur's Treasure Draws, covering the full year in advance. How class can a guy get?



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**Gord Tarzwell and Club
Members present at meet-
ing**

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Articles of the upcoming newsletters are due to the Editor by no later than the 15th of the current month.

Advertising space will be accommodated where space is available.

Highlights of Last Meeting

Membership Draw: Owen Zmija's name was drawn and prize was unclaimed as the member was absent so next month will be \$15. This draw is eligible for "dues paid up" members present at the meeting.

Door Prize Winners: Geroqe, Mike, Scott, Mel, Charlie each winning once, and also this group each winning twice, Peter, Gord and Dwayne. Tickets 3 for \$2. Donations for door prizes always welcomed.

King Arthur's Treasure: approximately 52 items won by Gord. Tickets cost one Canadian dollar each or five foreign coins.

Our Speaker / Education presenter was **Len Kuenzig** who gave a great presentation on LeRoux and his publications. He added to his presentation by remarking on the numbers of authors, that have contributed to numismatic knowledge by cross-referencing LeRoux to other cataloguers of the time such as Breton (Charlton, Paul Nadin-Davis and Doug Robbins for example). He brought in a number of pieces from his collection and many SWCS members remarked on

the quality and scarcity of the pieces and the deep strikes that many of the medals exhibited. **Len** stressed that collecting LeRoux would intensify a person's love of history and geography, that many of the pieces were of a commemorative nature for events that were of significant local importance for a time and place that has quite often obscured by time's passing. It was quite evident that **Len** has a passion for the study of history and events of historical significance.

Auction:

Our Auction has plenty of active bidding! The list was larger than normal with lots of fun as the hammer went down. Our May Auction will also be larger than normal (50 items), and again it will have a vast collection of foreign coins in high grade condition. There's an interesting 1870 Spain 10 Centimos (Diez Grammos) coin in the auction! Could be a hidden gem depending what grade it favours!

Spring Show 2012 Gold Coin Recipient:

Our recipient of the gold coin from our March 24th, 2012, coin show, was a regular

attendee to all our shows, **David Hollett** of Guelph. There was no photo op, so the coin was delivered by **Gary Fedora**.

Trends:

View this You Tube video from Future Trends predicting Silver will be priced higher than gold in the next decade!

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IiarVvZguY&feature=pyv&ad=8237580340&kw=coins>

Here's Adrian Douglas's view (Gold Committee) as well about silver surpassing gold:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kL_M5FNtb3U&feature=relmfu

Foreign Currency:

View this You Tube video to learn about **Pakistani** currency 1947-2008.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=geXcEf4ZBg&feature=related>

Here's another one on the **Argentina** Currency Project:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V-xoz_FXd14

Find others on:



Plans for Upcoming Meeting / Events

Our next meeting is **May 9th** (NOT 2nd), and Education will be the return of **Len Kuenzig** with a presentation of "Bonsai Cultivation". We well imagine that the contemplative and careful nature that **Len** exhibited with his Leroux collecting has spilled over to another hobby - the miniturization and controlled

growth of garden plants! **Len** will be describing the cultural techniques and choices made to grow bonsai from seed, the care and control and what makes a bonsai a living artform.

Auction: Our May auctions will have a higher number of lots with many good deals especially for foreign coin

collectors. **Lowell** welcomes your consignments.

Would the member who expressed a challenge coin interest at our fall show 2011 (before taking off to Florida) please see **Mike Hollingshead** as he's been holding your request until your return.

Cambridge & Guelph March 2012 Coin Shows



Pictures courtesy of Judy Blackman



Past Presidents:

2010-2011
Mike Hollingshead

2008-2009
Mike Hollingshead

2006-2007
Mike Hollingshead

Art Stephenson –dates?
Bob Zmija –dates?
Scott Douglas –dates?

Founding-1997
?

If you know the dates served by Past Presidents please let your Editor know.



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The Electric Street Railway in Ontario by **Scott E. Douglas**

Did you know..... that street railways of one sort or another have been in use throughout the world for a very long time? In fact, the first street railway in the world was established in 1831 in New York City. The street railway was known as the New York and Harlem and the first cars would run in November of 1832. The cars resembled a stage coach and were drawn by a horse or mule. If the route contained a steep incline a team of 2 horses would be used or on standby at the base of the hill depending on the time of year. The fares were paid in silver sixpences of the old Spanish currency in circulation at the time.



The pitfall of using animal power is obvious and a better way was always being contemplated. Electricity for railway use was first demonstrated at an exhibition in Germany in 1879 but the efficiency time wise proved to be too short. I believe an appropriate assessment can be made today when comparing the gasoline engine and the electric car. Eventually the problems were overcome and the first electric street railway in Canada was introduced in Windsor, Ontario in 1886. The street railway cars used a trolley style pole and wheel running on an overhead wire. The Windsor Electric Street Railway Company operated a line from Windsor to Walkerville, Ontario.

It didn't take long for the other cities in Ontario to convert their street railways to electric. The following are just a few of these cities and the fare tokens used;

Brantford Street Railway:



The Brantford Street Railway was incorporated in 1879. It was acquired in 1897 by the Canadian General Electric Co., and sold in 1902 to the Grand Valley Railway. Brantford Street Railway used horse power from 1886-1893. They converted to electricity in 1893 and continued until 1940 when the electric streetcars were discontinued.



Hamilton Street Railway:



The Hamilton Street Railway was incorporated in 1874. It became a subsidiary of the Hamilton Light and Traction Co. in 1899. In 1930 the Hamilton Street Railway was sold to the Ontario Hydro Electric Commission and in 1960 was sold to the city of Hamilton who are the present owners in 2011. Hamilton used horse power from 1874-1893. They converted to electricity in 1892 which was in use until discontinued in 1951.



Kingston Street Railway:

The Kingston Street Railway was incorporated in 1876. In 1893 the name was changed to the Kingston, Portsmouth and Cataraqui Electric Railway Company (Electric was added to the name in 1895). The railway used horse power from 1877-1894 and was fully electric from 1893 until 1930.

**St. Thomas Street Railway:**

The St. Thomas Street Railway Company was incorporated in 1878. The company was sold in 1902 to the city of St. Thomas, Ontario and the name was changed to the St. Thomas Municipal Railway.



The railway operated from 1879-1898 using horse power and from 1898-1926 as an electric street railway. In 1926 the street railway was abandon in favour of a private bus service.

**St. Catharines Street Railway Company:**

The *St. Catharines Street Railway* was incorporated in 1874. Service was extended to Merriton in 1880 and Thorold in 1881. In 1882 the name was changed to the *St. Catharines, Merriton and Thorold Street Railway Company*. In 1893 the company incorporated under the name *Port Dalhousie, St. Catharines and Thorold Electric Street Railway Company*. In 1901 the company was purchased by the *Niagara, St. Catharines and Toronto Railway Company* and continued as an electric street railway until 1948.



Scott writes for *CCN*, *RCNA CN Journal*, *ONA Ontario Numismatist*, and our club newsletter *Did You Know...*.

We appreciate his valuable contribution.

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Vintage German Religious Medallions



This is a rare German Town of Regensburg 1627 Silver Medallion. It commemorates the laying of the foundation stone of the 3 unity church on the 4th of July. Obverse: view of the 3 unity church with two towers, on top on the right floating angel with the Regensburg town coat of arms.



Stacks: GERMAN STATES. REGENSBURG (Rastibon). Freie Reichsstadt. - 2 Ducats, 1627. Angel holding City Arms hovers over twin-spire church, Roman numeral date below. Rv. 6-line German inscription commemorates cornerstone laying on July 4, 1627. Fr.2458. This commemorative type is a great rarity in all of the four forms known, but this 21.8mm, 6.87 gram double Ducat struck from the 1 Ducat dies is the rarest of all. Pleasingly thick and forcefully struck, this a coin of considerable art naïf appeal.

"To God alone must be left the knowledge of his **church** of which his secret election forms the **foundation**"

Germany, Nuremburg, Rare 17th Century Christian Silver Baptism Medallion of the imperial town, around 1690, old German grammar. Obverse: written in German - Of water and mind. Reverse: nine line German writing: Go and teach all people and christen them in the name of the father the son and the holy spirit. Who believes and is christened will become blessedly who does not believe however he will be condemned. Weight: 4.3 grams; Diameter: 2.5 cm; Silver.





The Baptism of Christ (recto); The Baptism of Christ (verso), Gabriel Weyer (German, Nuremberg 1576–1632 Nuremberg)

Vintage Leipzig Shooting Festival Medallion



This is a 3rd Reich Leipzig Shooting Festival Medallion (Bundesschiessen) 1934. Obverse: 3 shooters in different positions with the Leipzig monument in the background. Reverse: 20 DEUTSCHES BUNDESSCHIESSEN LEIPZIG 6 / 15 / JULY and COAT OF ARMS 1934. This was the last meeting in Germany of the Association as Hitler banned most clubs and associations around that time. Carl Flellath Schrobenhausen / Silver 1000 / 40mm.

M-347 Pre-Third Reich Shooting Badge: This round zinc badge measures approximately 1 1/8" across and retains a trace amount of what looks like a silver finish. It features a pair of crossed rifles over a wreath, and the initials "RDKS" inside four quadrants produced by the crossed rifles. The reverse has a gilt finished, horizontal pin back. Sound overall!



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Brinks Dumps Millions of Coins



Courtesy of The Canadian Press



RAMORE, Ont. - Millions of dollars in coins and a shipment of candy were scattered across an Ontario highway Wednesday (Mar 28) following the crash of a Brinks tractor-trailer that seriously injured two people. Both of the men who were in the Brinks truck were taken to hospital with life-threatening injuries, police said. The crash happened around 4 a.m. on Highway 11, north of Kirkland Lake in northeastern Ontario, when the truck crossed the centre line and collided with a rock face, said Ontario Provincial Police Const. Marc Depatie.

The crash also caused a number of chain-reaction collisions, but the injuries were minor, he said. One of the trucks involved in the resulting crashes was carrying candy, he said. That candy, along with \$3 million to \$5 million worth of loonies and toonies were strewn on the road and in the surrounding bush. "There is a quantity of candy but it's not nearly as sizable as the debris field created by the loonies and toonies that are on the highway," Depatie said.

The highway was closed by police, who essentially stood guard until the money could be removed. "A private contractor will be using magnets and other mechanisms to recover the dispersed load," but clearing up the wreckage remains the top priority, Depatie said.

Police said the road would likely remain off-limits until Wednesday evening while investigators look into what caused the crash. View this link to watch crane magnet trying to recover the coins: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mv5wyXoX4Qo>





Coin Shows & Conventions

- ♦ **MAY 5, Peterborough, ON** —Peterborough Coin Club - annual show, Main foyer, Portage Place Mall, 1154 Chemong Rd. Open to public 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free admission, various dealers buying and selling coins, tokens, paper money, old cheques, bank postcards and other associated numismatic items. Sponsor/Affiliate: Peterborough Numismatic Society. For more information, contact Don Hurl, telephone 705-652-0072, email donhurl@yahoo.ca.
- ♦ **MAY 6, Windsor, ON** —Windsor Coin Club Annual Spring Show, Caboto Club, 2175 Parent Ave. Show hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Plenty of free parking. Admission is \$1. Children under 16 are free when accompanied by an adult. Sponsor/Affiliate: Windsor Coin Club. For more information contact M. Clarke@wincom.net 519-735-0727, email clarke@wincom.net. Website: <http://windsorcoinclub.com>.
- ♦ **MAY 12, Toronto, ON** — Edithvale Hobby Show, Banquet Room, Edithvale Community Centre, 131 Finch Avenue West. Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., free admission, all sorts of collectibles and featuring coins, paper money, stamps, etc. Sponsor/Affiliate: North York Coin Club & Mississauga-Etobicoke Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Club. For more information, contact Paul Petch, telephone 416-303-4417, e-mail p.petch@rogers.com. Website: <http://northyorkcoinclub.com>.

For more Numismatic Events, check out the Canadian Coin News Link at: <http://www.trajan.ca/showbbs/ccn.pl>

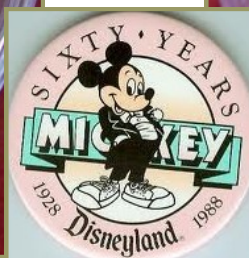
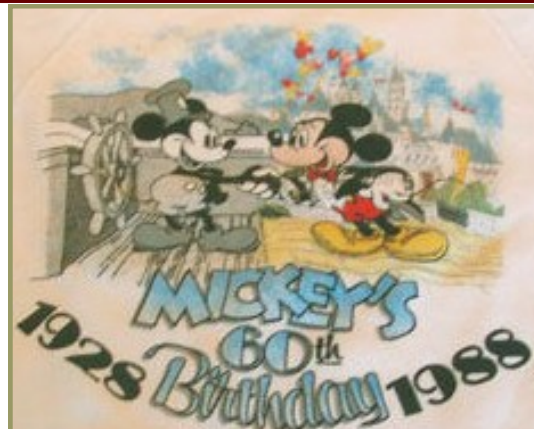


CANADIAN COIN NEWS



Happy 60th Birthday Mickey Mouse!

This is a DISNEY'S "MICKEY'S SIXTY YEARS WITH YOU 1 troy ounce .999 Silver ART ROUND 1988 Disney Medallion. Mickey turned 60 on November 13th, 1988 and celebrated by a special NBC show (anthology series).



Let the Bidding Begin! Here's Auction List for May 9th, 2012

| | Decription | Cat. Price | Reserve | Your Bid | Win. Bid |
|----|--|---------------|---------|-------------|-------------|
| 1 | 1945-1970 United Nations 25th Anniversary Silver Coin | \$20.00 | \$10.00 | | |
| 2 | 1997 Republic of Liberia \$5 Polar Bear Copper-Nickel Coin | \$6.00 | \$3.00 | | |
| 3 | 1973 Cdn. P.E.I. Centennial Nickel Dollar | \$4.00 | \$2.00 | | |
| 4 | 1984 Cdn. (Voyageur or Jacques Cartier Commemorative?) Nickel Dollar | \$6.00 | \$3.00 | | |
| 5 | 1987 Cdn. Aureate Bronze-Nickel Loon Proof Dollar, modified design | \$10.00 | \$5.00 | | |
| 6 | 1981 Cdn. Nickel Proof Dollar, modified obverse and reverse design | \$20.00 | \$10.00 | | |
| 7 | 1976 Cdn. Voyageur Nickel Dollar | \$6.00 | \$3.00 | | |
| 8 | 1968 Cdn. Voyageur Nickel Dollar, reverse design | \$4.00 | \$2.00 | | |
| 9 | 1989 Cdn. Aureate Bronze-Nickel Loon Proof Dollar, modified design | \$20.00 | \$10.00 | | |
| 10 | 1991 Cdn. Aureate Bronze-Nickel Loon Proof Dollar, diadem obverse design | \$20.00 | \$10.00 | | |
| 11 | 1982 Cdn. Nickel Fifty Cent Proof Coin, modified obverse and reverse | \$15.00 | \$7.00 | | |
| 12 | 1991 Cdn. Nickel Fifty Cent Proof Coin, diadem obverse | \$15.00 | \$7.00 | | |
| 13 | 1988 Cdn. Nickel Twenty-Five Cent Proof Coin, modified obverse | \$10.00 | \$5.00 | | |
| 14 | 1987 Cdn. Nickel Twenty-Five Cent Proof Coin, modified obverse | \$10.00 | \$5.00 | | |
| 15 | 1987 Cdn. Cupro-Nickel Five Cent Proof Coin, modified obverse | \$10.00 | \$5.00 | | |
| 16 | 1988 Cdn. Cupro-Nickel Five Cent Proof Coin, modified obverse | \$10.00 | \$5.00 | | |
| 17 | 1912 Cdn. .925 Silver Five Cent Coin | \$8.00 | \$4.00 | | |
| 18 | 1940 Cdn. .955 Copper One Cent Coin | \$2.00 | \$1.00 | | |
| 19 | 1958 Cdn. .980 Copper One Cent Coin, Laureate | \$4.00 | \$2.00 | | |
| 20 | 1987 Cdn. .980 Copper 12-Sided One Cent Proof Coin, reduced thickness | \$15.00 | \$7.00 | | |
| 21 | 1937 U.S.A. (1937D, 1937D 3-leg, 1937S?) .750 Copper Five Cent Coin & 1943 U.S.A. (1943D, 1943D BDM, 1943S?) Zinc-Coated Steel Clad Small One Cent Coin | ? | \$1.00 | | |
| 22 | 1902 U.S.A. .950 Copper Small One Cent Coin, Variety 2 (headdress feather between C and A) | \$2.00 | \$1.00 | | |
| 23 | 1964 U.S.A. .900 Silver Kennedy Half Dollar (1964 HAH, 1964D?) | \$10.00 | \$5.00 | | |
| 24 | 1964 U.S.A. .900 Silver Roosevelt Dime (1964a, 1964Da, 1964D DDR?) | \$2.00 | \$1.00 | | |
| 25 | 1909 U.S.A. .900 Silver Barber / Liberty Head Dime (1909D, 1909O, 1909S?) | \$2.00 | \$1.00 | | |
| 26 | 1916 U.S.A. .900 Silver Barber / Liberty Head Dime (1916S?) | \$2.00 | \$1.00 | | |
| 27 | 1912 U.S.A. .900 Silver Barber / Liberty Head Dime (1912O, 1912S?) | \$2.00 | \$1.00 | | |
| 28 | 1945 U.S.A. .900 Silver Winged Liberty Head / Mercury Dime (1945D, 1945S, 1945S Micro?) | \$2.00 | \$1.00 | | |
| 29 | 1943 U.S.A. .900 Silver Winged Liberty Head / Mercury Dime (1943D, 1943S?) | \$2.00 | \$1.00 | | |
| 30 | 1901 U.S.A. .900 Silver Barber / Liberty Head Quarter Dollar (1901O, 1901S?) | \$5.00 | \$2.00 | | |
| 31 | 1964 U.S.A. .900 Silver Washington Quarter Dollar (1964D?) | \$5.00 | \$3.00 | | |
| 32 | 1816 Austria .790 Copper Kreuzer ((1816A, 1816B, 1816E Rare, 1816G Rare, 1816O, 1816S?)) | \$4.00 | \$2.00 | | |
| 33 | 3 Foreign Coins: Mexico, Dominican Republic, Peru | \$2.00 | \$1.00 | | |
| 34 | 1949 Federal Republic Germany Brass Clad Steel Reform Currency 10 Pfennings x 2 coins (1949D, 1949D Pr, 1949F, 1949F Pr, 1949G, 1949J Lg J, 1949J Lg J Pr, 1949J Sm J, 1949 Sm J Pr?) | \$6.00 | \$3.00 | | |
| 35 | 1928 East Africa George V Bronze Five Cent Coin British Colony Reform Coinage, V.C. | \$25.00 | \$10.00 | | |
| 36 | 1922 Great Britain .500 Silver George V 3 Pence Coin | \$2.00 | \$1.00 | | |
| 37 | 1961 New Zealand Copper-Nickel 6 Pence Coin (with shoulder strap) | \$2.00 | \$1.00 | | |
| 38 | 1870OM Spain Copper 10 Centimos (Diez Gramos) Coin, Provisional Coinage | ? | \$3.00 | | |
| 39 | 1988 County Wellington Medal | \$10.00 | \$5.00 | | |
| 40 | 1894-1994 Alum.-Bronze Australia Enfranchisement of Women S.A. Proof Five Dollar Coin | \$5.00 | \$2.00 | | |
| 41 | 1974 Barbados UNC Two Dollars copper-nickel (trend UNC \$5 / BU \$9 US) | \$5.00 | \$2.50 | | |
| 42 | 21 coins: <u>Antilles</u> and <u>Aruba</u> have some very good grades, <u>Belize</u> 1991 nickel-brass dollar, <u>Bermuda</u> 2001 copper-nickel 25 cent, <u>Cayman</u> 2008 5 cent, <u>East Carribean</u> 1959 5 cent, <u>Costa Rica</u> 1948L 25 centimos (nice toning), <u>Jamaica</u> 1967 fifteen cents (rare), 1996 dollar, 1996 5 dollar, 1999 10 dollar (first yr replaced banknote), <u>Aruba</u> 2009 5 cent, 2008 10 cent, 2009 and 2010 25 cent, Netherlands <u>Antilles</u> 1975 5 cent, 1977, 1992 and 1998 10 cent, 1981, 1990 and 2x1998 25 cent | \$29.60 | \$14.85 | | |
| 43 | 1972 Trinidad Commemorative Copper-nickel dollar '10th Anniv. Of Independence' and UNC-Proof 1974 Panama Copper-nickel 5 Centesimos (Balboa) | \$9.00 | \$2.00 | | |
| 44 | 1940B Switzerland 1/2 Franc .835 Silver Coin | \$12.00 | \$3.50 | | |
| 45 | 1938(L) Guatamala 10 Centavos .720 Silver coin | \$7.00 | \$3.50 | | |
| 46 | WWI 1920 Lembeck Germany Notgeld coin 50 Pfennig | \$12.00 | \$3.50 | | |
| 47 | 1924 Costa Rica .650 Silver 25 Centimos Coin | \$12.50 | \$3.50 | | |
| 48 | 1848A Austria Copper 2 Kreuzer coin | \$16.00 | \$7.25 | | |
| 49 | 1864A Germany (Prussia) Copper 3 Pfennig coin | \$12.00 | \$3.50 | | |
| 50 | 1867B Germany (Prussia) Copper (looks like Bronze) 3 Pfennig Coin | \$12.00 | \$3.50 | | |